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1. The following regulatory interpretation is provided in response to a question raised to MSO New Orleans by Ingram Barge Company.

2. The subject regulation states that vessel cargo transfer piping shall be tested annually or as part of the biennial and mid-period inspection. For vessels whose mid-period inspection is delayed up to 14 months, the required cargo piping tests may also be delayed.


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